

For the class of 2022, 2023, and 2024, students with a cumulative GPA of 3.85 or higher are eligible to request membership into the National Honor Society during the Spring semester of their junior year. **Beginning with the class of 2025, students must have a cumulative GPA of 4.00 or higher after the first semester of their junior year to request membership.**

Students must be enrolled at Brentwood High School for the equivalent of one full semester to request membership. Transfer students that were inducted into the National Honor Society at their previous school will be granted membership into the Brentwood High School chapter for their senior year, given the student can provide confirmation of their acceptance and good standing (an email from a previous adviser or principal is acceptable).

Membership into the National Honor Society is not granted based on GPA alone. National Honor Society is founded on four pillars: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Students selected for membership must be exemplary in all four areas.

A faculty council, made up of 5 faculty members (excluding any NHS adviser and BHS administration member), will review students who have requested membership. The decision of the faculty council is final. To request membership, eligible students will fill out a form during the spring semester of their junior year highlighting their service and leadership throughout their high school careers. **No NHS advisers or BHS administration see student information forms.** The faculty of Brentwood High School will be asked to rate the character of all students requesting membership. The following attributes are some things the faculty council will look for the following while reviewing membership request form:

**Service:** The student who serves:

- Volunteers and provides dependable and well-organized assistance, and is willing to make sacrifices to offer assistance
- Works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities
- Enthusiastically renders any requested service to the school
- Is willing to represent the class or school in interclass and interscholastic competition
- Does committee and staff work without complaint
- Participates in some activity outside of school, for example, Girl Scouts; Boy Scouts; religious groups; volunteer services for the elderly, poor, or disadvantaged
- Mentors in the community or students at other schools
- Shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and students

**Leadership:** The student who exercises leadership:

- Is resourceful in proposing new problems, applying principles, and making suggestions
- Demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities
- Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals and spirit
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school
- Is able to delegate responsibilities
- Inspires positive behavior in others
- Demonstrates academic initiative

- Successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; demonstrates reliability and dependability
- Is a leader in the classroom, at work, or in other school or community activities
- Is dependable in any responsibility accepted

**Character:** The student of character:

- Consistently exemplifies positive and desirable qualities of behavior (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise, stability)
- Cooperates by complying with all school policies and regulations and codes of student conduct
- Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously
- Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty, academic integrity, and reliability
- Regularly exhibits courtesy, concern, and respect for others
- Complies with instructions and rules, and displays personal responsibility

Questions regarding the Brentwood High School Chapter of The National Honor Society can be sent to NHS adviser, Abby Rutherford at [abby.rutherford@wcs.edu](mailto:abby.rutherford@wcs.edu).